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REMARKS

Responsive to the latest Communication regarding non-compliant amendment from the USPTO, Applicants submit herewith a Supplemental Amendment In Response to Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment. Claim 1, 8, and 20 have been amended to reflect the correct status identifiers.

The specification has been amended to reflect SEQ ID numbers as requested by the Examiner.

In view of the preceding amendments and the remarks made herein, the present application is believed to be in condition for allowance.

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CONCLUSION

In view of the above, each of the presently pending claims in this application is believed to be in condition for allowance. Accordingly, the Examiner is respectfully requested to withdraw the outstanding rejection of the claims and to pass this application to issue. If it is determined that a telephone conference would expedite the prosecution of this application, the Examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned at the number given below.

In the event the U.S. Patent and Trademark office determines that an extension and/or other relief is required, applicant petitions for any required relief including extensions of time and authorizes the Commissioner to charge the cost of such petitions and/or other fees due in connection with the filing of this document to Deposit Account No. 03-1952 referencing docket no. 282172000810. However, the Commissioner is not authorized to charge the cost of the issue fee to the Deposit Account.

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